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SENATE BILL 1146

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE; REQUIRING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE  
UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER IN MEDICAID  
PROGRAMS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO HEALTH SCIENCES  
CENTER-- PARTICIPATION IN MEDICAID PROGRAMS. --

A. Any managed health care plan offered through a  
medicaid program shall include participation by the university  
of New Mexico health sciences center. The human services  
department shall administer the medicaid program to ensure the  
participation includes delivery of primary care and tertiary  
care services and to attempt to ensure, to the extent permitted  
by federal law, that the medicaid patient population served by  
the university of New Mexico health sciences center remains at

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1 least at a level similar to that served by the university of New  
2 Mexico health sciences center prior to implementation of the  
3 medicaid managed health care program.

4 B. A managed health care plan offered through the  
5 medicaid program shall provide payments to the university of New  
6 Mexico health sciences center at rates that are reasonable and  
7 adequate to meet costs incurred by efficiently and economically  
8 operated facilities, taking into account the disproportionately  
9 greater severity of illness and injury experienced by the  
10 patient population served.

11 C. The human services department shall administer  
12 the program and cooperate with the university of New Mexico  
13 health sciences center to ensure an adequate and diverse patient  
14 population necessary to preserve the health sciences center's  
15 educational programs. The human services department shall also  
16 assure continuity of general support under the state medicaid  
17 program to the university of New Mexico health sciences center  
18 for medical education and for serving a disproportionately large  
19 indigent patient population.

20 Section 2. EMERGENCY. --It is necessary for the public  
21 peace, health and safety that this act takes effect immediately.

1 FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

2 FIRST SESSION, 1997

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6 March 15, 1997

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your FINANCE COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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14 has had it under consideration and reports same with  
15 recommendation that it DO PASS.  
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18 Respectfully submitted,

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23 Ben D. Altamirano, Chairman  
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The roll call vote was 8 For 0 Against

Yes: 8

No: None

Excused: Aragon, Ingle, McKibben

Absent: None

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